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REMARKS:

pls. file in the OS file on "Mitchell Livingston Werbell III, #27.686."

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13 July 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: MACKEM, Walter Josef (U/AIUO)
          OS#190 639

1. (U/AIUO) On 8 July 1977 the undersigned attended a party at the home of Thomas O. CALLANEN (OS#520 272) in McLean, Virginia. The party was in honor of Ms. Natalie HALL (OS#493 683) who is PCSing to London, England, on 15 July 1977. Also in attendance was MACKEM who came to the party with Edith S. DAVIS (OS#368 661); in addition to the above, several other Agency employees were in attendance.

2. (U/AIUO) MACKEM did not appear to engage any Agency employees in "shop" talk and seemed to shrink from any sort of serious conversations while in the proximity of the undersigned. Based upon casual conversations with several of the undersigned's friends at the party, it was learned that Edith DAVIS was invited to the party by Ms. HALL's roommate, Ms. Garnetta MORIN (OS#677 012), who is a co-worker with both DAVIS and HALL Additionally, it was learned that MORIN will temporarily reside with DAVIS until MORIN finds another apartment. Aside from his obvious friendship with DAVIS, MACKEM did not appear to have previously known any of the Agency employees at the party.

3. (C) It should be noted that MACKEM has been of interest to this Agency since his termination (reduction in force) in October 1973. Interest was predicated upon his association with Mitchell Livingston WERBELL III (OS# 27 686) and the latter's "Friends of Abaca" operation. Recent interest in MACKEM stemmed from the "B. A. Fox" letter bomb extortion case in which MACKEM was considered by the FBI to have been a possible suspect. That case, investigated by the FBI during the latter part of 1975, currently appears to have been put on "the back burner" by the FBI.

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